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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In further response to the Preliminary Amendment filed with the Request for Continued Examination filed October 22, 2007, the following remarks and executed Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 are being submitted herewith.

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